

The Rhode Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review met at its headquarters located at 2 Regan Court, Mathias Building #56, in Cranston, RI on Tuesday, July 29, 2014 at 1:00 PM.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Newbrook called the meeting to order at 1:10 P.M.

ROLL CALL: Present were Chairman Newbrook and Commissioners Booth, Thornton, Sylvester, Blackburn and Richard.

Absent were Vice Chairperson Filippi and Commissioners Jackson, Pearson and Walker.

Also present were Executive Director W. Keith Burlingame, Esq. and Administrative Assistant Desiree Campanini.

Minutes: Commissioner Sylvester made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thornton to approve the Fire Board minutes for July 22, 2014. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business: The following appeals were heard:

True Green Realty, LLC, for the properties located at:

APPEAL #090172B: 1272 West Main Road, (Main Building), Middletown,

APPEAL #090222B: 1272 West Main Road, Middletown.

APPEAL #090294B: 1272 West Main Road, (Building #3), Middletown.

DSFM Michael Macaruso appeared for the State Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Blackburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sylvester, to grant the Applicant an additional time variance from a previous decision, for the installation of a sprinkler system prior to occupancy's of the main floor and top floor of this facility, but sprinkler coverage must be installed no later than November 15, 2015. The motion passed unanimously.

APPEAL #140046: Mr. Frank O. Bragantin, for the property located at 150 Dartmouth Street, Providence. ADSFM John Dolan appeared for the Pawtucket Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Sylvester, to grant the Applicant a time variance of one hundred fifty (150) days to implement the Applicant's plan of action to create a second means of egress from the community room through a new passage into the existing corridor and separating the corridors into two (2) smoke compartments by installing a smoke barrier, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Pawtucket Fire Marshal's Office. The Board authorizes the Pawtucket Fire Marshal's Office to extend the above deadline, if a good faith effort is being shown by the Applicant. The motion passed unanimously.

APPEAL #140067: Robert Day, LLC, for the property located at 10 Dorrance Street Providence. ADSFM Keith Maine appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Thornton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Blackburn, to grant the Applicant a time variance of forty-five (45) days to submit a plan of action for the installation of an approved fire alarm system with smoke detection in all stairwells and common hallways within this facility. The Applicant was granted a time variance by the Board of thirty (30) days to develop a plan of action to remotely locate the following emergency functions in the "ELEV. PANEL" room: elevator floor location and operation annunciators, elevator fire recall switch, Elevator power selector switch (es) will be provide and an additional one hundred fifty (150) days to implement that plan, with the Providence Fire Marshal's Office authorized to extend the above deadlines, if a good faith effort is being shown by the Applicant. The Board granted the Applicant a variance from providing a telephone for the fire department use with controlled access to the public telephone system. The motion passed unanimously.

APPEAL #140075: Martha Cargoe, for the property located at 748 Cranston Street, Providence. ADSFM Keith Maine appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Commissioner Richard made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Thornton, to grant the Applicant a time variance of thirty (30) days to submit a plan of action to the Providence Fire Marshal's Office for the installation of an approved

fire alarm system, with emergency forces notification throughout this facility, providing this facility with an approved fire alarm zoning map, installing an approved smoke detector system at the fire alarm control unit, providing this facility with approved batteries for the fire alarm control unit, and an additional one hundred fifty (150) days to implement that plan. The Board authorizes the Providence Fire Marshal's Office to extend the above deadlines, if a good faith effort is being shown by the Applicant. The motion passed on a 5 to 1 vote with Commissioner Blackburn voting in opposition.

The Board, the Fire Marshal's Office and the Richmond-Carolina Fire District Fire Marshal's Office discussed Formal Interpretation (FI# 13-01) concerning smoke and carbon monoxide detection in one and two family homes, no vote was taken at this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

CORRESPONDENCES / ANNOUNCEMENTS:

OPEN FORUM / PUBLIC COMMENT: State Fire Marshal's Office will be sending in a request for a formal interpretation and/or clarification of the fire code regarding mercantile occupancy/ 3 family story homes.

ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Richard made a motion, seconded by

Commissioner Sylvester to adjourn at 2:45 P.M. The motion passed unanimously.